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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I am against the proposed settlement.

I am the IS Manager at a small company, and an independent software developer. I believe Microsoft has hurt consumers and slowed progress in the computer industry by anticompetitive behavior, and I don't believe the proposed settlement is sufficient to prevent further harm.

I don't believe it is strict enough (too many loopholes).

I don't believe it can be adequately enforced.

I believe Microsoft has shown a disregard for the law and will not change unless forced to and I don't see that this settlement will have that effect.

I am pleased that 9 states are not going along with this settlement.

An article that some points that hit home to me can be found at:

<http://www.eweek.com/article/0,3658,s%253D1887%2526a%253D17989,00.asp>